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From 24 November to 2 December, the Hindenburg Kaserne and Friedrich August Kaserne in Glauchau quartered 400 to 500 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. About 50 percent of the windows were lighted at dusk. Two open sheds in the southern section of the installation and the open sheds in the training area were dismantled. Other installations that were removed included a watchtower in the northwestern corner of the cemetery and the fence in the southern section of the Hindenburg Kaserne. The tanks which had previously been parked under one of the open sheds that were dismantled were no longer seen. Three SP guns covered with tarpaulins were between two garages in the southern section of the Hindenburg Kaserne. The garages proper were still occupied by trucks. Truck was in front of a newly constructed shed near the two garages. On 26 November, truck occupied by a lieutenant with tank insignia and three EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia and carrying about 50 suitcases, drove to the railroad station. Between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., on 28 November, 150 to 200 soldiers were singing march songs. About 30 soldiers maintained vehicles at the garages. At about 10 a.m. on 2 December, about 200 troops organized in groups engaged in rifle practice. Motor vehicles were seen driving to the installation. The officers that had vacated their quarters on Karl Marx Strasse moved into the Friedrich August Kaserne and the Hindenburg Kaserne. The former Aus Kaserne on Dr. Wilhelm Kuelz Strasse, which had previously been occupied by civilians, was partly vacated.

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1. Comment, three trains with tanks and equipment had been dispatched from Glauchau to Gera on 30 November and 1 December 1952. The present report, with its information on the removal of open sheds, fences and gates, to some degree confirms the above shipments. However, the information tends to indicate that the 220th Hvy Tank SP Regt stationed in both barracks installations was

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still there prior to 2 December 1952. The transfer from Karl Marx Strasse to the barracks installations of the officers does not account for a pending departure of the regiment. It is rather assumed that only a repair ship which was probably stationed in the southern section of the Hindenburg Kaserne was transferred to Gera.

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. Observations made in Gera indicated no changes in the occupation of the military quarters there. A new unit could be quartered in the barracks installation in Gera-Tinz, which had appeared to have been occupied only partially. Other information indicated that VPs would move into the Aue Kaserne.

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